have generally been much higher than the National Average as will be seen from the figures for the years 1997-98 and 1998-99, given as under:

Statewise per capita approved plan outlay (Rs.)

State	1997-98	1998-99
Arunachal Pradesh	5941	6033
Assam	579	621
Manipur	1925	1949
Meghalaya	1860	1902
Mizoram	3452	3841
Nagaland	1970	1967
Tripura	1378	1346
Sikkim	4280	4463
All India	676	837

Schemes Implemented in KBK Districts of Orissa

968. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the basic problems of the undivided districts of Koraput, Bolangir and Kalahandi known as KBK districts in Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any high priority scheme has been implemented in those districts and fund sanctioned for those schemes during last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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Bolangir and Kalahandi (KBK) in Orissa a Long Term Action Plan was launched in 1995 for the development of these districts. Thereafter, to ensure better focus on high priority schemes which would deal with the basic problems of these districts, the Government of Orissa was asked to prepare a revised plan. The Revised Long Term Plan (1998-99 to 2006-07) consists of Central Plan and Centrally Sponsored Schemes in various sectors, namely agriculture, horticulture, watershed development, afforestation, irrigation, health, drinking water, emergency feeding, welfare of SCs/STs and rural connectivity.

The State Government have informed that additional funds to the tune of Rs. 8.14 crore were made available in 1997-98 (Rs. 2 crore for Mobile Health Units, Rs. 2 crore for Emergency Feeding and Rs. 4.14 crore for Million Wells Scheme).

After the initiation of the Revised Long Term Plan Action Plan, an additionality of Rs. 37 crore were provided in the Annual Plan 1998-99 of Orissa specifically for these districts. In addition, Rs. 7 crore were provided for the Emergency Feeding Programme and Rs. 2 crore for Mobile Health Units under Basic Minimum Services (BMS).

For Annual Plan 1999-2000, an additionality of Rs. 37 crore has been allocated over and above Rs. 10 crore earmarked for Drinking Water Supply, Rs. 8.60 crore for Emergency Feeding Programme and Rs. 2 crore for Mobile Health Units under BMS.

Small Scale Industries

969. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES: be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any scheme to promote Small Scale and Agro Rural Industries in the NE Region particullarly in the State of Assam;

(b) if so, the full details thereof;

(c) the amount allocated for promotion of Small Scale Industries in Assam and actually utilized for the same during the Ninth Plan;

(d) the amount proposed for promotion of SSI in the State during the Ninth Plan; and